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Flood Control District Board of Directors vote to protect NW Valley residents

PHOENIX (April 25, 2013) – The Flood Control District Board of Directors unanimously voted yesterday to approve an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) for design of the 115th Avenue, Union Hills Drive and 107th Avenue Drainage Improvements Project between the cities of Peoria and Surprise, and the Flood Control District of Maricopa County (District).

The IGA specifies cost sharing of the project design and defines responsibilities for design of the project. The estimated total project design cost is \$1 million and will be shared 50 percent by the District and 25 percent by each of the cities of Peoria and Surprise.

“This project will provide mitigation to a flooding problem which impacts Surprise, Peoria and unincorporated Maricopa County,” said Clint Hickman, who represents District 4 on the FCD Board. “I am pleased the District is able to partner with the two cities to keep our residents and their property safe from flood waters that might otherwise cause serious damage.”

The main goal of the project is to intercept flood water that enters the project area from the northeast in the proposed channel and storm drain system, detain the storm flows if needed in basins, and convey the water to the Agua Fria River via existing and improved channels and/or storm drains. It includes approximately two miles of storm drains, basins, channel improvements, maintenance roads adjacent to the project, and associated structures and features. Roadway intersection improvements will be included, to allow capture of storm water into the new system. The final design, which will be designed with a 100-year level of protection, is anticipated to be complete by the summer of 2014.

The Flood Control District of Maricopa County is tasked to provide regional flood hazard identification, regulation, remediation, and education to Maricopa County residents so that they can reduce their risk of injury, death, and property damage from flooding, while still enjoying the natural and beneficial values served by floodplains.

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